1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA** 10 TODD LEE LEANY, Trustee of the Todd Lee Leany 11 Case No. 2:15-cv-01349-MMD-CWH Irrevocable Trust, **ORDER** 12 Plaintiff, 13 VS. SAN DIEGO STEEL HOLDINGS GROUP, INC., 14 et al., 15 Defendants. 16 This matter is before the Court on the parties' Proposed Discovery Plan and Scheduling Order 17 18 (doc. # 22), filed September 17, 2015. 19 The Court has reviewed the proposed discovery plan and finds that it does not comply with 20 Local Rule ("LR") 26-1(e)(1), which measures discovery "from the date the first defendant answers 21 or otherwise appears." The first defendant in this case filed a petition for removal (doc. # 1) on 22 July 15, 2015, which would result in a discovery cut-off deadline of January 11, 2016. However, the 23 parties, in their proposed discovery plan, failed to state the date they measured the discovery cut-off 24 deadline to erroneously conclude that the cut-off date is January 18, 2016. See Doc. # 22 at 2. 25 Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the parties' Proposed Discovery Plan and 26 Scheduling Order (doc. # 22) is **denied**. // 27 28 //

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the following dates shall govern discovery:

1.	Discovery cutoff	January 11, 2016
2.	Motions to amend pleadings and add parties	October 13, 2015
3.	Expert designations	November 12, 2015
4.	Rebuttal expert designations	December 14, 2015
5.	Interim status report	November 12, 2015
6.	Dispositive motions	February 10, 2016

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any extension of the discovery deadline will not be allowed without a showing of **good cause** as to why all discovery was not completed within the time allotted. All motions or stipulations to extend discovery shall be received by the Court at least **twenty-one** (21) days prior to the date fixed for completion of discovery, at least **twenty-one** (21) days prior to the expiration of any extension thereof that may have been approved by the Court, or at least **twenty-one** (21) days prior to the expiration of the subject deadline. Any extension or modification of a discovery deadline or subject deadline not filed at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the date fixed for completion of discovery or the expiration of the subject deadline must be supported by a showing that the failure to act was the result of **excusable neglect**. The motion or stipulation shall include:

- 1. A statement specifying the discovery completed by the parties as of the date of the motion or stipulation;
- 2. A specific description of the discovery which remains to be completed;
- 3. The reasons why such remaining discovery was not completed within the time limit of the existing discovery deadline; and
- 4. A proposed schedule for the completion of all remaining discovery.

It is not good cause for a later request to extend discovery that the parties informally postponed discovery. No stipulations are effective until approved by the Court, and "[a]ny stipulation that would interfere with any time set for completion of discovery, for hearing of a motion, or for trial, may be made only with approval of the Court." <u>See LR 7-1(b)</u>.

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IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if no dispositive motions have been filed within the time frame specified in this order, then the parties shall file a written, joint proposed Pretrial Order by **March 11, 2016.** If dispositive motions are filed, then the parties shall file a written, joint proposed Pretrial Order within 30 days of the date the Court enters a ruling on said dispositive motions.

DATED: September 18, 2015

C.W. Hoffman,

United States Magistrate Judge